

CANNON BUILDING 861 SILVER LAKE BLVD., SUITE 203 DOVER, DELAWARE 19904-2467

STATE OF DELAWARE **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

TELEPHONE: (302) 744-4500 FAX: (302) 739-2711 WEBSITE: WWW.DPR.DELAWARE.GOV

DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid

Dispensers

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED October 14, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Illene Courtright, Professional Member, President

Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member, Secretary

Dr. Michael Michelli, Professional Member

Regina Bilton, Professional Member

Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member

Carol Guilbert, Public Member

George Christensen, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Maisha Britt, Public Member

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Courtright called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes from the August 12, 2009 meeting. Mr. Christensen made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINSHED BUSINESS

Review Strategic Plan

The Board reviewed the revised strategic plan prepared by Ms. Heeney. Ms. Heeney updated the Board's strategic plan as requested at the last next meeting to add "communication with licensees"

Board Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispenser Minutes – September 9, 2009 Page 2

back on as an ongoing item. The Board requested to add Audiologists to the section regarding telepractice. Ms. Heeney will revise the plan as requested.

JSC Progress Report

The Board reviewed a draft of the first JSC progress report that was prepared by Kay Warren. The Board suggested some minor changes. Ms. Slaughter will forward the suggested changes to Ms. Warren.

Review Draft of Proposed Changes to Audiology Regulations – Ms. Heeney

The Board reviewed a draft of proposed changes to the Audiology regulations. The Board suggested changes to several areas and found some additional areas that may need further revision after some research is done. Ms. Heeney will make the suggested changes. The board members will take the current draft with them and bring comments and suggestions back to the October meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

The Board reviewed Megan Shoup's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Jill Parmenter's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Kelly McGrory's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Leslie Kessler's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Rae Cook's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Mark Sprague's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Temporary Speech Pathologist Application

The Board reviewed Michelle Plourde's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of corrected forms from Ms. Plourde's supervisors; the supervisors had not answered questions 4 & 5. Motion unanimously carried.

Board Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispenser Minutes – September 9, 2009 Page 3

Review Permanent Hearing Aid Dispenser Application

The Board reviewed James Bauman's application for a permanent hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to approve the following continuing education as noted:

Licensee: Doreen Brown Sponsor: Easter Seals Activity: Music Therapy Contact Hours: 1 CS

Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to denied the following continuing education as noted:

Licensee: Elizabeth Polidoro Lucas Sponsor: Appoquinimink School District

Activity: Special Education Policies and Procedures Training

Contact Hours: 1.5 Denied - This is a routine on-the-job procedure review

Licensee: Elizabeth Polidoro Lucas Sponsor: Appoquinimink School District

Activity: Opening Day - Policies and Procedures Training

Contact Hours: 2.5 Denied – This is a general procedures review for school

personnel

Motion unanimously carried.

Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the following continuing education as noted:

Sponsor: Delaware Association for Home and Community Care

Activity: Delaware Association for Home and Community Care Annual Conference

Contact Hours: 5 PG

Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Guilbert, to approve the following continuing education as noted:

Sponsor: Costco

Activity: Costco Hearing Aid Center

Contact Hours: 9 CS

Motion unanimously carried.

Board Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispenser Minutes – September 9, 2009 Page 4

Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Ms. Christensen, to approve the following continuing education as noted:

Sponsor: Healthcare Information Network, Inc.

Activity: SNF PPS Update 2009

Contact Hours: 6 PG

Motion unanimously carried.

Correspondence

Review Letter form Matthew Dykes Regarding Discontinuation of Supervision for Craig DiPasquale

The Board reviewed a letter from Matthew Dykes in which he advised the Board that he is no longer providing supervision for Craig DiPasqaule. Mr. DiPasquale has not notified the Board of a supervisior change. Ms. Guilbert made a motion, seconded by Dr. Michelli, to change the status of Mr. DiPasquale's temporary hearing aid dispenser license to null and void effective immediately. Motion unanimously carried. A letter will be mailed to Mr. DiPasquale to advise him that his temporary license is no longer valid and that it is unlawful to practice without a license.

Review Email from Elizabeth Polidoro Lucas Regarding CEUs

The Board reviewed an email from Elizabeth Polidoro Lucas in which she requested that the Board determine if CE credit could be earned for an audio course entitled "Best Strategies to Help Speech-Language Pathologists Better Meet Student Needs." No additional information was provided for the course. Ms. Courtright made a motion, seconded by Dr. Xenakes, to table this item until Ms. Polidoro Lucas submits the proper CE request form and course information. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Continuing Education Audit Review

The Board began reviewing CE documentation submitted by licensees who were selected for random audit. Letters will be sent to the licensees who have not responded to the audit to advise them they have 10 days to submit their documentation or they will have to appear for a rule to show cause hearing. Letters will also be mailed to any licensees who have deficiencies or need to submit additional information. The Board will continue reviewing CE documentation at the October meeting.

Other Business before the Board

There was no other business before the Board.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 14, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Board Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispenser Minutes – September 9, 2009 Page 5

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Christensen made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Slaughter

Administrative Specialist II